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Subject: Re: Project Update
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Eric,
attached are my preliminary comments on what LWG ignored from EPA's instructions. talk with you later today.
Jay

Blischke.Eric@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

> As promised at yesterday's TCT, here is a project update. As a
> reminder, I have requested a preliminary list of issues and data gaps
> based on an initial look at the Round 2 Report. Please get your lists
> to me by COB Friday or first thing Monday morning at the latest. These
> lists will help us with next week's discussions.

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> Field Work:

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> Surface Water: The high flow surface water sampling was completed on
> Saturday, March 10, 2007. All stations with the exception of the RM 16
> station were sampled while flows exceeded 50,000 cfs in late February
> and early March timeframe. The RM 16 station and two other stations
> (mid-channel stations at RM 11 and RM 2) were sampled in January before
> river flows dropped below 50,000 cfs. The RM 11 and RM 2 stations were
> reoccupied in late February/early March when the flows went back up to
> over 50,000 cfs. The RM 16 station was not reoccupied due to the loss
> of some of the sampling devices as a result of the high flows.

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> Sturgeon Sampling: The sturgeon sampling effort was completed on March
> 6, 2007. Three legal sized sturgeon were collected from each of the
> three reaches. Due to the limited mass of stomach contents obtained and
> the smaller than expected liver size, the LWG has developed a proposal
> for performing stomach contents and liver tissue analysis. This
> proposal has been forwarded to the eco team.

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> Multnomah Channel Bathymetric Survey: The bathymetric survey of the
> upper end of Multnomah Channel has been completed. The purpose of the
> bathymetric survey is to identify depositional areas in the upper
> portion of the channel for sediment sampling purposes.

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> Stormwater The ISCO samplers and sediment traps have been deployed at
> 18 locations. All remaining sampling devices are expected to be
> deployed by the end of the week.

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> Deliverables:

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> We currently have two reports under review - the Round 2 Data Report and
> the Hydrodynamic Sedimentation Model Recalibration Report. A series of
> meetings are scheduled next week to begin identifying key issues and
> data gaps based on our preliminary review of the Round 2 Report. A
> meeting is also scheduled for next week to discuss comments on the
> recalibration report. See meeting discussion below.

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> A number of additional documents are expected from the LWG over the next
> couple of months. These documents are summarized below:

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> Upstream/Downstream Field Sampling Report - April 9, 2007
> High Flow Surface Water Field Sampling Report - May 9, 2007
> Round 3A Low Flow and Stormwater Surface Water Sampling Data Report -
> May 21, 2007.
> Lamprey Ammocoete Toxicity Report - This report is expected sometime in
> April.
> Lamprey Ammocotete Tissue Data Report - This report is expected in late
> May
> Literature Survey of Treatment Technologies - This report is expected in
> early June

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> In addition to these reports, a number of FSPs are being developed by
> the LWG. Dates for the delivery of these reports have not been
> established. These FSPs will cover surface sediment, subsurface
> sediment, sediment bioassays and the Phase 2 lamprey toxicity testing
> program. The development of these FSPs is contingent on such things as
> our preliminary review of the Round 2 data report and the receipt of the
> Lamprey Ammocoete toxicity report. Further discussion regarding data
> needs and the results of the lamprey toxicity testing will be required
> before these documents can be finalized.

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> Meetings

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> We have a number of meeting scheduled:

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> Internal Meetings:

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> Ecological Risk Team Meeting: March 19, 2007 - 9:00 - 12:00. Room 1A
> in the DEQ NWR office in Portland has been reserved for this room. Joe
> Goulet will be reserving a room
> call using our call-in number: **Non-Responsive**
> Hydrodynamic Sedimentation Model
> 10:30 - 12:00. This is a small technical team meeting to discuss
> comments on the recalibration report. We will be using our call-in
> number.
> CSM/Fate and Transport Meeting: March 21, 2007 - 1:00 - 4:00. We have
> reserved room 7 at the DEQ HQ office for this meeting. This will also

> be a conference call using our call-in number. I do not know if a space
> has been procured in Seattle.
> Human Health Risk Team Meeting: March 22, 2007 - 1:30 - 4:30. This
> will also be a conference call. Due to the smallness of this group, no
> general meeting space has been identified.
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> LWG Meetings:
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> Lamprey Meeting: March 20, 2007 - 2:00 pm. This meeting is primarily
> between the trustees and the LWG. The purpose of the meeting is to
> discuss the lamprey tissue sampling that took place last fall.
> Fate and Transport/Food Web Modeling Meeting - Place and Time TBD. The
> purpose of this meeting is to re-engage the LWG on the Fate and
> Transport and Food Web Modeling efforts. Right now, we are looking at
> meeting either the week of March 26th or April 2nd.
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> Thanks, Eric
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